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Applicant: LEJEUNE et al. Serial No.: unknown  
Filed: concurrent herewith Docket No.: 9997.19USI1  
Title: CONJUGATES OF HAPTENS TO BETA-LACTAM DERIVATIVES AND  
THEIR USE FOR DETECTING AND/OR QUANTIFYING HAPTENS IN  
SOLUTION AND DEVICE FOR IMPLEMENTATION THEREOF

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application filed herewith, please enter the following preliminary amendment:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following as the first paragraph of page one:

--This application is a Continuation-In-Part of U.S. Application No. 09/171819, filed 26 October 1998.--

REMARKS

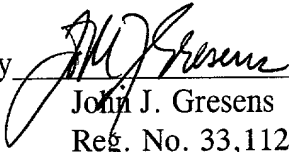
Applicants respectfully request that the preliminary amendment described herein be entered into the record prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' primary attorney-of record, John J. Gresens (Reg. No. 33,112), at (612) 371.5265.

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